"Save the colors!" shricks a dying voice, and Two horsemen breast the raging ranks, and (In thy sacred list, O Fame!
Keep each dear and noble name!*)
See, they flash upon the foe,
Fierce as flame—
And one undanated form
Lifts a British banner, warm
With the blood-rain and the storm of Isan-

dula!

"Save the colors!" and amidst a flood of foes, At galloy, sword in hand, each horseman goes—

Around the steeds they stride
Cling devils crimson-dyed,
But God! through butchering blows,
How they ride!

Their horses' hooves are red
With blood of dying and dead,
Trampled down beneath their tread at Isandula!

"Save the colors!"—They are saved—and side by side
The horsemen swim a raging river's tide— They are safe—they are alone— But one without a groan, After trotting filmy-eyed, Drops like stone; And before his comrade true Can reach his side, he too Falls, smitten through and through at Isan-duia!

* Lieutenant Nevill Josiah Aylmer Coghi (Twenty-fourth Regiment), Lieutenant Teign mouth Melvill (Twenty-fourth Regiment) both killed while escaping with the colors January 22, 1879. -Robert Buchanan

TO-NIGHT.

Sing to me darling, O darling, to-night! I sit weary and faint in the lessening light; The day so full freighted with duties has And left me no courage, no sweetness, at last. The burdens were heavy, my hand was too slight— Sing to me darling, O sing to-night!

Play for me darling, O darling, to night!
Touch the white keys with your fingers of
light;
Waken the melodies only your hand
Can make for my heart in its pleading demand; Dreams half divine at your touch will unite-Play for me darling, O darling, to-night! 272

Talk to me darling, O darling to-night! Your words fall as softly as dreams of delt Tell me of calm, and of refuge, of peace Tell me your love that shall nevermore ce Tell me your beautiful visions of light— Talk to me darling, O darling, to-night!

The night wind is chill, the snow-drifts are heaping, The stars have grown weary their watches of keeping; My spirit from earth would be winging her

Pray for me darling, O darling to-night!

-Lilian Whiting, in the Graphic. HIS TRUE LOVE.

And so, Rosa, I am going away. Before this reaches you, thousands of miles will separate us, and it will be useless for you to try to trace me. I shall leave property enough to support you and the child, for you have been dear to me, but I never was worthy of you; and now you must forget me. I have tried in vain to conquer my love for Florence Abernethy. My passion love for Florence Abernethy. My passion for her is the one true love of my lifetime can not give her up, and we are going away

The little white-faced woman, holding with trembing hands the blotted paper, read again the cruel letter—the letter from her idolized husband, declaring his love for another, and his resolve to separate himself from his family for other's sake. It had come hours before; she had read it over and over, and still she sat there, pallid, weak, not half comprehending yet the trouble that had come upon her; conscious only that her heart's trust and love had been betrayed, that she had lost the presence caroled lightly in their dainty cage; her baby boy slept soundly in his crib; and outside were all the sweet, soft odors of spring's buds and blossoms, and its countless hymns of gladness; while she "She has spirit enough, to be sure; sat there in her dumb misery, questioning if this were all true, if she had lived to know her idol false and base, and her life's joy forever vanished, or if she were only in the mazes of a fevered,

elirious dream.

She was one of those golden-haired, her." exquisitely pretty little women, who men to take care of, one who needed to be loved and cared for always, and the luxurious home of her childhood, where she had known sorrow but by name, to his own elegant residence, just finished and furnished for his bride, and from their brief, blissful courtship, they entered on what appeared an alnerchant was the most attentive of hus-

utter his parental title, Mr. Alston's on the turf over that little mound in the began to change. He ceased to rillage cemetery, so precious to her, the from his work with the light-grass had never been green.

day, they were separated, for he went

waited, lonely, for his coming, and his letters said often, "I shall be with you soon;" but he did not come. He wrote sometimes of brilliant and unlooked-for prosperity in his business, and of the remarkable liveliness and condicility of saled with sudden interest. Alston gave her a seat inside the door. The wandering eyes fell on the handsome painted likeness of Louis Alston that human the wall opposite them.

"Is that your husband's picture?" she emarkable liveliness and cordiality of asked, with sudden interest. the society in which he found himself. but she looked in vain for a day named for his return. At last came the terri- the woman; and she glanced again ble letter that told her how he had sin- sharply at the portrait. Then she turnned and fallen, and that they might ed to the pale wife.

of his affection! Could it be that in this stranger he had found the one true love of his life? His picture hung on went her way more, the old woman went her way more way went her way more way went her way we love of his life? His picture hung on the wall before her, looking down upon her with the beautiful dark-blue eyes spoke truth or falsehood. No one knew she had loved to watch; and looking where she had been in her wanderings there on that handsome face that was She might have seen that guilty fugi bending now to an ignoble one, on that tive. She might thus have learned shapely head so dishonored, she cried what she professed to know of him. out at last, and wept in her agony. Atd Rosalie Alston waited there where he out at last, and wept in her agony. And Rosalie Alston waited there where he thus they found her in her heipless wee. had left her, not hoping, only dreaming, and kindly hands and voices ministered of a possible return. to her in the fearful hours that followed "Do you know," queried a kind-hearted neighbor a few days later, "do

you know what's the matter with Mrs. Iston?"

"She is suffering under severe nervone of the great cities of the land. "A friend lying dangerously ill here would ous prostration," answered the doctor's friend lying dangerously ill he wife, who lived across the way, "and be grateful for her presence."

But I should never have thought that of heart was breaking, fear that she might Mr. Alston, he always seemed to care so be mistaken, dread of being too late.

ed . that is all I have beard.

Poor Rosalie Alston was not left to then, when she could bear it, took her feel any lack of friends in her worse to the room where the dying friend lay. than widowhood. Few who knew her failed to offer sympathy and help. There were none who didn't censure Louis Alston's heartless conduct. It was remembered how tender and true she had been to him from the day he brought and he left her alone in the death-chamher to his home in her girlish loveliness how careful and fond; and he had not always been loyal to her, now said the watchful world; yet for her sake Gossip whispered to her votaries the rumors that Louis Alston's life had not been blameless, for the forsaken wife could not, even now, hear a word spoken

"I would never trouble my head about him again," said one; "I would stop mourning, and let him go."
"I would get a divorce, and marry sgain," said another.

"He was a scamp, any way, and she has plenty of money and that dear little boy left," chimed a third. But to her they spoke gently always,

of her loss reverently, as of the dead, for she was beloved by all.

She stayed in the home where he had left her. The roses bloomed by the doorway almost unnoticed; the straggled untrained over the porch; the garden lay neglected; the house was quiet always, and the only happy thing about it was baby Lou, who ate and slept and laughed and grew cheerily enough, yet seemed to wonder some times why mamma wept when, a halfforgotten face crossing his infantile

So the summer passed, and autumn, with its softened sunshine, dying beauty and weird melodies came, rounding the year since Louis Alston left his home. year since Louis Alston left his home.

A year! The pale woman, standing where he had kissed his pretty wife good-by, looking so sadly unlike her former self, asked her aching heart how many long, long years like this ere life's hold must be loosed from earth, and the years to come looked dreary indeed.
Once during the winter that followed came a too officious friend, who bade

her be comforted. "I have been where Louis was," said he, "and learned all about the girl he went away with. She is a silly, heartno doubt she would leave Mr. Alston if his health or money should fail. It will be strange if he isn't a poor man before money should fail. It will be strange if he isn't a poor man before many years go by, for he had become very reckless with his property, and then he will see how much his new love cares for him. He will receive his due reward, and you mous yield the United States takes fully

will be revenged, never fear." in the night watches she sobbed on her wakeful pillow, "God have pity for him, wherever he is! "

By and by the child sickened, and for a time the mother forgot all else.
"It's only a cold," the good neighbors said; "he'll be well in a day or two." But the little one grew no better. There was a brief, sharp struggle with the Destroyer, then the baby hand fell helpless down, and the sun-ny life was yielded.

She was alone -poor Rosalie Alston! -with only that sweet dead face and tiny, cold form, and that beautiful pic-tured face of the absent one-only left of her treasures. Yet not alone, for nearer to the torn heart came the presence of the Infinite sympathy love; over the weary, impatient spirit fell something of the peace of that land wherein her babe was safe.

"It's wonderful how she bears her

troub'e," said the doctor's wife across the way; "such a frail little creature, "Yes; I'm afraid sometimes she'll

to her on earth. The spring e, finding its way through among the next-door neighbor. "She does las and geraniums lay may be next-door neighbor." She does sunshine, finding its way through among her callas and geraniums, lay warm not say any thing about Mr. Alston, but not say any thing about Mr. Alston, but I doubt if there's ever a moment when Learn to Sew. he's out of her mind." "You don't think she would forgive

Alston, any day." "Yes, he wrote the truth, surely, when he said he was not worthy of

"But I believe his desertion will seem sent into the world expressly for men to take care of, one who needed to be loved and cared for always, and than a white violet is like a rose," and be loved and cared for always, and hitherto she had known no lack of tender-hearted woman wiped her derest devotion and affection. Six years before Louis Alston had taken her from the luxurious home of her childhood, woman, for whom her kind heart ached

"Poor, lonesome child!" she sighed "If Lou Alston thinks he has found a better love than hers, he is mistaken."
There was never an hour of wakefulness, in which she did not remember Her soul never lost its longing bands, and Mrs. Alston lived in a for him. And the springtime coming scarcely broken dream of happiness. again, with its beauty and music, drop-After four years came the tiny stranger asking admittance to both hearts, and then life seemed indeed complete to pretty Rosalie Alston.

But when the little one could barely

and his manner constantly be- time and losing energies that might be trayed a bitter anxiety.

"I must go away, Rosa," he said at see if the world has any place for me." be ruined, and who can go but me?"

But one day there came to her door a weird old creature, who called herself a for the first time since their bridal-they were separated, for he went women who gain a livelihood by going away hundreds of miles, and she stayed about the country begging the privilege of telling "fortunes" for a quarter.

All the long winter months she had Pitying the old woman, Mrs. Alston

> "Yes," was the low reply "Poor child! poor child!" muttered

"He isn't happy, now," she said And all the half-dozen years of their happy wedded life, she had been so sure of his affection! Could it be that in Marks happy now. I've seen that man, and I know he isn't happy now.

In the autumn came an unexpected "Will Mrs. Alston come at once to -?" wrote the clergyman who

they fear something worse. Joseph was called to see her last night. Mr. Alston has eloped with a young lady of —"

"Dear, dear! what won't men do? But I should never have thought that of heart was breaking fear that the mich." much for his wife. How does she speak | The morning train bore her away, and of him?—poor little woman!"

an evening train left her in the city to

"She does not talk of him. She told which she had been called, where she Mrs. Lynde that she had rather see him | was met by the clergyman who had bidead than have him living so dishonor- den her come. He was a large-hearted. ; that is all I have heard." noble man, and whose sympathies were report little woman! I'm so sure never deaf to the cries of suffering huprised I can hardly think at ail. How manity, and, with supreme pity and could be leave the child? But I must gentleness, he unfolded the story he wished her to hear—a story of wrong-lean do for her."

She bent over the pillow of the sick man, over the face of the only man she had loved, and his feeble arms, reaching upward, clasped her trembling to his He was true, true to her to the osem. last, and a throb of almost overwhelming joy thrilled through the clinging shroud of despair numbing her heart at the thought. She took her place by the bedside, to wait the coming of that other visitant, whose cold hands were even now stretched toward her idol. The long night vigil was scarcely broken by words. The sick man could not talk There was only a murmured prayer of forgiveness, which was answered by the tenderest, truest assurances of love; there were no reproaches, no unavail-

ing utterances of repentance, and the wife's tears of anguish fell in silence. "Darling!" he whispered, when the darkness was giving place to dawn. She laid her white face on the pillow beside his.

"Darling, the moment is at hand You will be happler when I am gone. I did not know till it was too late to go back, that I had left the one true love of my life; but I was always unworthy of you, my darling, and God is merciful to you and me in letting me die. By and by, when you forget, you will be hap-

And quietly, with her hand in his, his last breath on her lips, he died.—Lizzie L. Shaw, in the Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Raisin-Making.

The United States is the greatest raisin-consuming courtry in the world, and uses annually more raisins than the whole of Europe. This market is mainly supplied from Spain, the raisins known as "Malagas" being considerered the best. They come from a comparatively narrow strip of country in the south of Spain, which has hitherto erages 2,250,000 boxes of 20 pounds each. It sometimes reaches 2.500,000 boxes, and last season about 2,000,000 boxes were marketed. Of this enorone-half, on which it pays a du y-as "I do not crave revenge," was the on all other raisins—oi 2½ cents per only reply of the true-hearted wife, and made from a white grape, the "Muscat of Alexandria," to the raising of which the s il and climate of a large portion of California are well adapted. vine begins to bear somewhat in the second year, although the full bearing capacity is not developed until it is five years old, and continues to bear for about half a century, and sometimes for sev nty-five years. In the cultiva-tion of raisin-grapes American grape-growers have little to learn from Spain. but in the curing and packing of the raisins a lack of experience is still felt. The raisins are not cured by any artificial process, however, but in a compar atively simple manner. The grapes are laid on gravel-beds, and are exposed to the sun for ten or twelve days in August or September, when they are ready for packing, having turned from white to brown, and gradually changed to the familiar dark color of the raisins of commerce. The white sugar which is generally found attached to the raisins sold in the market is entirely a natural product of the grape, an

An effort is being made to introduce needle work into the New York public schools. It is proposed that boys as well as girls shall be taught how to sew. The idea is an excellent one, and should be immediately carried into execution. wrongs. She's worth a dozen like Lou Any one who has seen an old bachelor attempt to sew on a rear suspender button without removing his pantaloons must certainly favor teaching male pu pils plain sewing. The old bachelor aforesaid twists his head half way off in order to locate the button, and with thumb and forefinger holds it in its place until he jabs the needle half way through his thumb -and we are obliged to suppress his few ill-chosen and vigor ous remarks. A smile of triumph illu mines his face when he succeeds in get ting the needle through one of the eyes of the button, but it suddenly disappears as he draws the thread slowly thr and instead of seeing it come to a ten sion, hears the button fall on the floorand he makes some more remarks unfit for publication. He forgot to build a knot in the tail of his thread. This neglect is soon remedied in the shape of knot as large as a pea, and after taking a few stitches, needle sticks amidships in the eye of the button; he can neither push it through nor draw it back. He backs up against the wall, gets a lever age on the needle, and bears his whol weight upon it. Of course the needle runs into his hip to the depth of half an hearted smile his wife had learned to "I must go away from here," she inch, and he makes 500 remarks in less expect; he forgot sometimes to kiss the thought, as the summer deepened. "I than 500 quarter seconds, but we can't boy, of whom he had been so must find work to do. I am wasting print 'em. By all means, teach the boys plain sewing .- Norristown (Penn.) Her-

A Happy Medium.

"Where's mamma?" cried blue eyed Bessie, running breathlessly into he room the other morning. "Never mind, you'll do, aunty, I only want to

know something; is my pa rich?"
"Not very. Why?"
"Oh! 'cause Benny Bend and May
Monk and Kate Kinsley are out here
telling about their pa's, and I didn't cnow about mine." "Well, Bessie, I'll tell you. Your pa

is not too rich, and not too poor; he is just comfortably well off." The child stood for a moment, looking thoughtfully, then repeated over and over to herself, "Not weddy rich not weddy poor, jest comferble," and went

Presently her mother came in, Bessie following her. "Well, Bessie," said That will only serve to make her feel she, "Have you been a good girl to-No, mamma."

"Why, Bessie, I hope you have not been a bad girl?" "No, mamma," said the little thing, Not weddy bad, not weddy good, jest a comferble little girl."

frishmen residing in England, Scotland and America. The demand for the text-First Irish Book has gone through 13 editions, while the Second Irish Book is in its twelfth thousand.

-The tongue will sometimes make elergyman in one of the towns near Boston that he had given him to read from the pulpit an announcement that the "Bellingham praying band" would conduct at the evening meeting; but by some strange perversity of the un-ruly member, the congregation were astounded with the announcement that there would be a service by the "Prayingham belly band."-Boston Globe.

doing that had met its just reward- backward spring .- Utica Observer.

FASHION NOTES.

Jet lace is coming in vogue. -Narrow trains are de rigueur. -Dolly Varden styles are revived. -New parasols are generally lined.

-Round trains are generally prefer--Short dresses for country wear hav paniers.

-Short dresses for city wear do no have paniers. -Every fashionable dress has satin for a part of it. -Very low necks are again fashiona-

ble for evening toilet. -Black Breton bids fair to take the place of black French lace. -Some showy parasols have the ribs gilded, silvered, or colored.

-Black tulle veils, with tiny gold hread dots, are recent novelties. -Changeable and shot silks are seen again on dry-goods counters. -Silk handkerchief overdresses ar

worn with plain foulard skirts. -Passion flowers form part of the trimmings of many fashionable evening bonnets. -There is a return to the fashion of

lacing up the back of the corsage of evening dresses. -The newest evening dresses have trimmed skirts with separate corsages

and basques. -Long sharp points back and front are a marked feature in the new spring evening dress. -White wood parasol handles

referred for plain pungee or twilled soft -Some of the new black tulle gold

-The new white lawn and organdy nuslin dresses for house wear have par ier basks and Pompadour polonaises. -When the corsages of evening

dresses are made with long points frent and back they are made to fit like a glove over the hips, but are quite short at that point, allowing the panier dra-peries to show below. -New white muslin skirts are trimmed with two or three plaited frills of

Hamburg embroidery. They still con-tinue to be made with deep yokes at the top, and the longer skirts have fan -Brocaded ribbons are shown Japanese designs delicately tinted, and so artistically done that they look like

water-color paintings. These are beau-tiful on the Tucsan hats for the waterng places. —Several styles of wraps appear. The favorite dolman and fichu lose none ef their popularity, and there are light carf-capes and jackets of light cloth or of brown, beige, canaque, dark blue simply trimmed with galloon, with a vest in masculine fashion. The visites and mantelets are seen in Chuddah cloth, drap d'ete, or silk, and are ele-gantly trimmed with fringe, jet passementerie, embroidery and lace. A new ulster called the "Brighton," of which there is a paper pattern, fits more stosely and has peculiar sleeves, giving a dolman effect to the back. The

Vivian " and "Florence" scarfs are intended for a summer wrap, and there are besides excellent paper patterns of the Demorest invention especially suit-ed for home dress-making for the "Justine" and "Aretta" mantelets and "Isonde" and "Toline" visites. The "Hilorie" and "Directoire" jack-

sticks are straight and show many fanswan's curving neck, a frog's head, a knob of beautiful Mexican onyx, carna tion, Labrador feldspar, lapis lazuli, or faceted crystal. The covers are seen in brocaded silk, striped satin, polka spotted satin, or pongee, black silk, satin, Scotch plaid in satin or gingham to cor-respond with the fanciful gingham and bandana dresses. Satine parasols will be fashionably used at seaside and mountain resorts. Satine is a lustrous, cottony fabric in colors of pale blue, rose, pearl-gray; a ribbon is attached in place of a strap, which may be tied in a bow. Some of the new parasols

measure twenty-four inches. New sun umbrellas come in dark wine shades and gendarme blue. -Black silk dresses are scarcely made this season entirely of plain silk; fig-ured or striped satin is employed to finish even the simplest dress, while at least a third of an elaborate dress is of figured or striped satin, which is use as folds, revers, counterpieces, vest, col-lars, etc. Decidedly elegant are the vests of black satin with delicate patterns of small flowers embroider olive shades, faded green, gold and just enough Turkey red and sky-blue to brighten and shade the work. These are seen only on the most expensive silks with satin and lace trimmings, and give a bright spring-like appearance to the otherwise somber costume. While black has ceased to be the street uniform of American ladies, still black silk grenadine are extensively used for walking suits in the best styles and most expensive materials. Grenadines are combined with satin and silk and trimmed with jet and beaded passe ries; shirring is also popular with these materials. New grenadines have damasse figures, satin stripes, and the most expensive have large brocaded flowers of heavy satin.

How to Pay a Compliment. To pay a compliment is to tell the truth, and to tell it as though you meant it. And the only way to do that is to mean it. If a girl is pretty or accomplished; if she plays well, or sings well, or dances well, or talks well; if, in a word, she pleases, why, in the name of common sense, shouldn't she be told of it? Don't blurt it out before every body. uncomfortable and make you appear ridiculous. Say it quietly when oppor-tunity offers, but say it strongly. Con-vey the idea distinctly and fully, so that there may be no mistake about it. But don't say it "officially." Formality is about the coldest thing known. More than one maiden has been made happy— say for half an hour—by a man's taking readiness for the dedication, which will about the coldest thing known. More -Efforts are making in Ireland to revive the study of the Irish language. A society established at Dublin two years society established at Dublin two years a toilet that he liked, and many of fashion's follies have been given up by girls of the United States and Canada will of the United States and Canada ago to encourage such study, has just when they noticed a discreet silence published a report, which says that an interest in the movement amounting to enthusiasm has been excited among black-eyed beauty once said to a gentle-spire 50 feet in height, and the reredos man, "I like to have you say sweet will be 32 feet wide. In the Cardinal's things to me, it seems to come so easy throne the material employed is English books of the society is unabated. The and natural." In general terms, it may oak, richly carved; and in the reredos, be said that it is always better to say an | marble from Italy and France, where agreeable thing than a disagreeable one, it has been preparing. It is estimated better for all parties. The gallant who, when a young lady stepped on his foot while dancing and asked pardon said, the most awkward slips. It is told of a "Don't mention it; a dainty little foot like that wouldn't hurt a daisy," not only told the truth, but doubtless felt more comfortable than the boor when his foot was stepped on, roared out, "That's right; climb all over me with your great, clumsy hoofs."-Boston put it in the juice; it will hiss as it

-Bleeding of a wound in man or beast superior to spring's biliary depression can be stopped by a mixture of wheat than it is confronted by the ghastly -Circus ath'etes confidently predict a flour and common salt, in equal parts, specter of the coming strawberry shortbound on with a cloth. cake .- Boston Transcript.

FARM TOPICS.

Success of Two Boys .- From 14 common dunghill fowls, from January 1 to March 29, we have have received 574 eggs, besides hatching two clutches of chickens. One of the hens that was set (on the 5th of February) commenced laying yesterday, and is still running with her chicks. Our fowls have had no meat, only scraps from the table. Their feed consists principally of screen ings in the trough at all times, and also burnt bone and oyster shells as much as they will eat. In our short experience we find that wheat screenings have proved the best egg-producing food, and only costs 60 cents per bushel. There are people here who buy wheat at \$1 per bushel, and do not receive as many eggs from the same number of chickens as we do. Screenings have a variety of other seeds in them, so that it makes a change of feed. Our father says that we must try and beat some of the experts in producing cheap eggs. We are two boys, aged respectively 10 and 12 years.—C. & W. Wilde, Montgomery County, Pa., in Country Gentleman.

EXTERMINATING THE BORER .- MIS Arthur Galpin of Waterville, Kas., tells apple. how she exterminated borers in her boxelder trees: "The borer commenced operations about two feet from the ground and gradually worked up the trunk in a semi-circle. Now, I was de-termined he should not kill my trees, so I dosed him with coal oil, but it didn't seem to hurt his digestion a particle. was in a dilemma what to do next. could not get him out with a knittingneedle, and I thought if the tree mus die, I would experiment on it any way, thread dotted veils have borders of gold thread embroidery in light patterns.

The new white lawn and organdy made a salve of it and plastered over all those wounds on the tree. To my great reliaf I found I had at last headed the borer, and now the trees are as well and hearty as the rest that were not troubled. They had only bored two trees when I succeeded in exterminating them. I wish some one would please tell me, through this department, now to exterminate sand-burrs from my door-yard. I have cut and raked and burned, but every spring they are there in all their glory, with all their added progeny. Some one please tell me, from experience, what will exterminate them, "-Kansas Farmer.

VALUABLE TO PEACH-GROWERS .- At the twenty-fourth annual meeting of the Western New York Horticultural Society Mr. Youngblood advised cutting fried are ready to go in it its tendency back peach trees in the early spring to be induce a strong growth of new wood raw potato or a piece of bread, which for the next year's fruiting. He also advocated thinning out the fruit. His plan is to thin out when the fruit is about the size of cherries, leaving the peaches five or six inches apart on the limbs. This rigorous thinning, he con-tended, not only largely increases the size of the fruit, but entirely transforms its character, making it rich, juicy and melting. An equally important result is the greater vigor of the trees. The pulp of the fruit, Mr. Youngblood explained, does not exhaust the vitality of the trees nearly so much as the pro specimens of little value. Thinning peaches he considered a preventive of rot in such varieties as Hale's Early. The thinning should be done before the will be easily managed by the most inexperienced home dress-maker.

—Parasols have appeared in a new shape, still showing the inevitable tendency to be Oriental, so they have the flat Japanese styles and are made with narrow gorss over the dense of the state of the state of the sufficiently.

drawn largely upon the vitality of the tree. Early varieties as a rule require the most thinning. A few kinds do not need thinning, the Late Crawford, for instance, which generally thins itself sufficiently. stone is formed, or the fruit will have

narrow gores over sixteen gilded ribs, no longer covered by the lining, which to the cultivation of castor beans. As to the cultivation of castor beans. As exercised an economical influence on the is placed next to the covering. The I live in the banner county of Kansss, and have cultivated them for two years, ciful devices in the handles, such as a I will try to answer it. Castor beans are planted about the same time as corn; a little earlier is better. They may be planted with a corn-planter, in hills about 4 feet apart each way, 4 or 5 beans in a hill. They are planted like corn, and when the plants are a foot high they should be thinned to 1 in a hill. In harvesting we pick 3 rows on each side of the wagon, the wagon running over 1 row. The pods are cut from the stock with a knife. It is necessary to pick these about twice a week when the weather is dry and warm, or they will waste in the field. The picking season lasts 6 or 8 weeks. No machinery is required to thresh them. A yard is made by cutting off the grass from a piece of sod, or tramping plowed land with horses. The pods are then thrown on the yard, and the beans pop out by the heat of the sun. They are then swept up, run through a fanning-mill, and are ready for market. From 10 to 15 bushels per acre is a fair yield. -H. J. O., Franklin County, Kas., in Exchange.

> SPRING CARE OF STOCK .- Spring is at hand, and is one of the most critical periods of the year with our domestic animals. Most farmers plan to have their stock bring forth their young at this season. Extra care and attention needs to be given to all such, as well as other stock, as the change in weather produces lassitude and weakness. Fodder and grain are often low at this time. Now is the time, when roots, grain and good feed generally, are needed to prepare the system for the change from dry to green feed. All stock should have the card and brush used freely, daily or oftener, as it produces one of the best effects, scarcely second to reg-ular good feed. It is surprising with what persistency cattle will beg for frequent and long-continued carding, after having once become used to it, especially as the time approaches for "shed-ding the coat." Many cases of abortion at this season may be traced to the want of suitable care and attention either in feeding, watering or careful usage in other ways. Vermin are apt to be more troublesome at this time than at others, and should be destroyed. A some of them require much caution, or they prove injurious to the animal.

> Warbles will show and should be discharged from the animal by expul-ion or puncture .- W. H. White, in Country Gentleman. -St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York, -Au excellent way to make any

it over water until the fruit separates, then strain. Heat the sugar, a pound touches it. Boil for 20 minutes.

HINTS FOR THE HOUSEHOLD.

-Turpentine will remove ink fron hite wood-work. -Milk soup is a very nice dish for children or sick people.

-Yelk of eggs is as nourishing a the white, though a little heavier. -To soften the hard, dry putty in the vindows, wet it with muriatic acid. -Onions may be soaked all night vithout taking the flavor out of them. -Rubbing the hands with a slice of

aw potato will remove vegetable stains. -Water can be purified in a cistern by dropping in a large piece of common -Ovalic acid will remove stains, ink and iron rust, but must not be allowed to is not given.

best to put a little sugar inside the apple before putting it in the stove.

-A good wash for the teeth is made

melting of the sugar helps to thaw the -A good way to clean zinc is to rab t with a piece of cotton cloth dipped in kerosene; afterwards rub with a dry cotton cloth and it will be as bright as when new.

-In making an Irish stew the suet should be chopped finely and the dough kneaded as lightly as possible. The less it is kneaded the lighter the crust -Refined chalk made into a thick

plaster with one-third as much glycerine as water and spread on the parts will cool inflammation and reduce redness of the nose or face. -Fish and other dishes often come

upon the table ve y greasy. The way to prevent this is to place brown or white paper over them, letting it touch the greasy surface. Paper absorbs fat. -If those who black their own stoves will grease them before blacking they will find it prevents them from rusting.
Add a pinch of brown sugar to blacking

Add a pinch of brown sugar to blacking just before applying. This causes it to stick, and it polishes much easier and with half the rubbing.

—In frying any thing the fat should never be allowed to boil. Its proper heat for frying may be known by observation. When it reaches 375° of servation. heat a faint blue smoke rises which tells that it is ready for use. If, however, it begins to smoke before the things to be

Or CHILLS and FEVER. It would not be truth to say that 25 men per week walk into the railroad offices of Detroit with a patent coupler, patent platform, patent bumpers, patent brakes, and patent something else, which they wish to sell to some company for half a million. No, the number isn't over 15 per week, but it is steadily growing. They keep an old platform car at the Union Depot for the penefit of these inventors. one appears they give him leave to at-tach his patent to that car and give it a trial. The car has been overhauled so much that hardly any part of the original structure remains, and it had only been side-tracked the other day after a trial of a patent brake, which broke nothing but the inventor's shins, when along came a queer old coon from up north with a patent bumper. He took off his hat and said they would outbump be sufficient.

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engine, held a moral lever over the brakemen, and assured a 5 per cent. dividend to stockholders. They tried to make him believe that his patent was 1,000 years old, and that his invention was meant to apply to milk cans and beer wagons, but they couldn't discourage him a bit. As a last resort he was The Popular Remedies of the Day. given the old car. He put a carpenter and blacksmith at work, and in three days he was ready for trial. "What I claim for this 'ere invention," he exclaimed as all was ready,

is that it will save human life till you can't rest, and now let her perform."
She performed. An engine was attached and the old car drawn out. The inventor stood right up to what he as screed. He said that a man between two cars provided with his patent bumpers was as safe as in his own parlor, and, when the car was backed down to a "freight," he was there to couple on. Those who didn't see him there soon heard of his presence. The bumpers were a success. They struck and jam-him so flat that his yells came forth as thin as old fashioned three cent pieces, and seemingly no larger. When the buckle was found under his chin, and his silver watch down his left boot-leg, and he was about as flat up and down as a plank. It would have been impossible to tell the front side from the back side but for the foresthought of a small boy who picked out the side the arms were attached to, and called that the front side. They took the mass over to a cheap hotel, and it is there yet. Some DISEASES from the SYSTEM. of the flatness has disappeared, and "it" can speak a few words, but long weeks will pass before that particular inventor will drop his old white hat on the table of another railroad Superintendent .- Detroit Free Press.

The Quickest Time on Record.

Some time ago the announcement was made that the Baptist missionaries la boring among the Teloogoos of Ongole, 2,222 converts in one day. The story appeared to the Rev. J. H. Gunning of Titusville, Pa., to be a large one, and so he wrote to Missionary Clough at Ongole and asked: "How many men does it take to baptize 2,222 persons in one wash, made by steeping larkspur in water, is sure destruction to lice, and is harmless. Other applications may be made which will kill the vermin, but some of them requires much continuous as follows: "How many men does it take to baptize 2,222 persons in one day?" Mr. Clough was too busy to answer, but passed the letter over to an associate, who replied to Mr. Gunning as follows: "With reference to your question, 'How many men does it take to baptize 2.222 persons in one day?' I to baptize 2,222 persons in one day?' should say that depends on several things; but in the present case the simple reply is 'Six.' But, lest this be too laconic, I will enlarge a little. Bear in mind that the baptistery was adm rably situated for expeditious work. It was at the ford of a river, with a sort of basin on either side; and no time was lo-t ry preparatory work had been pre-viously attended to. The people were arranged in groups according to their at one time; when these were tired, two others took their places; those, in turn, chaffees Phonographic Institute, Cawego, N. Y. teaches Phonography BY MAIL of Jurnishes situations were relieved by the other two, and so on. The baptizing commenced at about 5 a. m. and continued until 10. It was resumed at 2 p. m. and completed at 6 It will thus be seen that the baptism of 2,222 converts occupied two preachers jelly: Put the fruit in a dish and steam oine hours, or about thirty seconds for each candidate. If the six preachers had all been employed at the same time the 2,222 converts would have been baptized in just three hours. time occupied was ample to do it "de-cently and in order" is proven by an actual experiment made on the 30th of

and marked that he began baptizing at 6:17, and as the last candidate rose from the water it was precisely 7:38. The average time will be seen to be 23 but no effort was made at

-Humorists are not encouraged in China. When a paragraphist gets off a joke on a slant-eyed Emperor, the al-leged humorist has his pigtail cut off. The loss of this hirsute appendage is bad enough, but when they amputate it without removing it from his head, it becomes painful, and the paragraphist's propensity for joking is cured for

-An ancient sewer has been discovered in Rome, but the old lady's name

A Word to the Corpulent. Instead of regarding obesity as an abnormal condition, many people have erroneously considered it as an evidence of health, and any agent that reduces fat is therefore at once suspected of being injurious. Starting to reason from the false position that fat is an evidence of health, it is not surprising that they should, very naturally, fall into the error of synesting that an agent possessing propothey should, very naturally, fail into the error of supposing that an agent possessing properties capable of reducing corpulency would prove injurious to the health. Reasoning, however, from the rational basis, that an undue deposition of fat, constituting obesity, is not a healthy but a morbid condition, it is quite as natural for us to arrive at the opposite conclusion, i.e., which is sustained by experience and observation, that the reduction of fat in cases of corpulency is invariably followed by an improvement of strength, spirits and physical comforts. Allan's Anti-Fat will reduce a fat person from 2 to 5 pounds a week. Sold by druggists.

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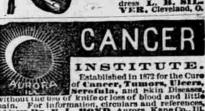
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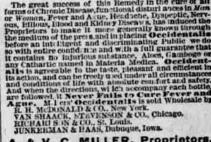
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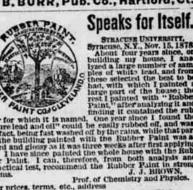
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